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Thirtieth Day

Pursuant to adjournment the Senate was called to order by President Micciche at 1:28 p.m.

The roll showed nineteen members present. Senator Wielechowski was excused from a call of the Senate.

The prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Annie Connelly, Senate Page. Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent the prayer be spread. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Lord,

We thank You for gathering us here today in hopes of working toward a better tomorrow. Help us to not only solve the problems faced today, but also to set the future of our state up for success. May the work done here be done for the good of our brothers and our sisters.

Amen.

Senator Shower led the Senate in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Certification

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the journals for the twenty-sixth through twenty-ninth legislative days be approved as certified by the Secretary. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Messages from the Governor

SB 12

Message was received stating the Governor signed the following bill on September 14 and transmitted the engrossed and enrolled copies to the Lieutenant Governor's Office for permanent filing:

SENATE BILL NO. 12 "An Act relating to temporary courtesy licenses for military spouses; and relating to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development."

Chapter 34, SLA 2021 Effective Date: 12/13/21

Standing Committee Reports

SB 53

The Finance Committee considered SENATE BILL NO. 53 "An Act relating to use of income of the Alaska permanent fund; relating to the amount of the permanent fund dividend; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue; relating to an advisory vote on the permanent fund; providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 8, ch. 16, SLA 2018; and providing for an effective date" and recommended it be replaced with

CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 53(FIN) "An Act relating to use of income of the Alaska permanent fund; relating to the amount of the permanent fund dividend; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue; and providing for an effective date."

Signing no recommendation: Senators Bishop, Stedman, Cochairs; Senators von Imhof, Olson. Signing do pass: Senator Hoffman. Signing do not pass: Senator Wilson.

The following fiscal information was published today: Fiscal Note No. 5, Department of Revenue

The bill is on today's calendar.

HB 3003

The Finance Committee considered CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making capital appropriations and supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date."

Signing do pass: Senators Stedman, Bishop, Cochairs; Senator Hoffman. Signing no recommendation: Senator von Imhof. Signing amend: Senators Wilson, Olson.

The bill is on today's calendar.

Consideration of the Calendar

Second Reading of Senate Bills

SB 53

SENATE BILL NO. 53 "An Act relating to use of income of the Alaska permanent fund; relating to the amount of the permanent fund dividend; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue; relating to an advisory vote on the permanent fund; providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 8, ch. 16, SLA 2018; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent SENATE BILL NO. 53 be moved to the bottom of today's calendar. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Second Reading of House Bills

HB 3003

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making capital appropriations and supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date" was read the second time.

Senator Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent to take up Amendment No. 1 after Amendment No. 2. Without objection, it was so ordered.

Senators Shower, Reinbold, Hughes, Holland offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 13, lines 1 - 6:

Delete all material and insert:

"* Sec. 10. ALASKA PERMANENT FUND. The amount authorized under AS 37.13.145(b) for transfer by the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation on June 30, 2021, estimated to be \$2,502,200,000, is appropriated from the earnings reserve account (AS 37.13.145) to the dividend fund (AS 43.23.045(a)) for the payment of permanent fund dividends and for administrative and associated costs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022."

Senator Shower moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Objections were heard.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 2 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) Second Reading Amendment No. 2?

YEAS: 8 NAYS: 11 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Nays: Begich, Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Excused: Wielechowski

and so, Amendment No. 2 failed.

Senators Wilson, Reinbold, Hughes, Kawasaki, Shower offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 13, lines 1 - 6:

Delete all material and insert:

"* Sec. 10. ALASKA PERMANENT FUND. The sum of \$1,526,109,508 is appropriated from the earnings reserve account (AS 37.13.145) to the dividend fund (AS 43.23.045(a)) for the payment of permanent fund dividends and for administrative and associated costs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022."

Senator Wilson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator von Imhof objected.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) Second Reading Amendment No. 1?

YEAS: 10 NAYS: 9 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Kawasaki, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Nays: Begich, Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kiehl, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Excused: Wielechowski

and so, Amendment No. 1 was adopted.

Senator Kawasaki moved and asked unanimous consent to rescind action in adopting Amendment No. 1. Objections were heard.

The question being: "Shall the Senate rescind its action in adopting Amendment No. 1?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 3003(FIN) am S (brf sup maj fld) Second Reading Rescind Action in Adopting Amendment No. 1? 1460 September 14, 2021

YEAS: 10 NAYS: 9 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Nays: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Excused: Wielechowski

and so, the Senate rescinded its action in adopting Amendment No. 1.

Amendment No. 1 was automatically before the Senate.

The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) Second Reading Amendment No. 1?

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 10 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Nays: Begich, Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Excused: Wielechowski

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the bill be advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Without objection, it was so ordered.

CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) was read the third time.

The question being: "Shall CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) "An Act making appropriations for the operating and loan program expenses of state government and for certain programs; capitalizing funds; making capital appropriations and supplemental appropriations; and providing for an effective date" pass the Senate?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) Third Reading - Final Passage

YEAS: 12 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 1 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Begich, Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Nays: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Myers, Olson, Reinbold, Shower

Excused: Wielechowski

and so, CS FOR HOUSE BILL NO. 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) passed the Senate.

Senator Hughes moved for the adoption of the effective date clause(s). Senator Reinbold objected.

The question being: "Shall the effective date clause(s) be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSHB 3003(FIN) am(brf sup maj fld) Effective Date Clause(s)

YEAS: 16 NAYS: 2 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Costello, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Holland, Hughes, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof, Wilson

Nays: Reinbold, Shower

Excused: Begich, Wielechowski

and so, the effective date clause(s) were adopted and the bill was signed by the President and Secretary and returned to the House.

Second Reading of Senate Bills (continued)

SB 53

SENATE BILL NO. 53 "An Act relating to use of income of the Alaska permanent fund; relating to the amount of the permanent fund dividend; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue; relating to an advisory vote on the permanent fund; providing for an effective date by repealing the effective date of sec. 8, ch. 16, SLA 2018; and providing for an effective date" which had been moved to the bottom of today's calendar, was before the Senate in second reading.

Senator Bishop, Cochair, moved and asked unanimous consent for the adoption of the Finance Committee Substitute offered today. Senator Kiehl objected, then withdrew his objection. Senator Shower objected.

The question being: "Shall the Finance Committee Substitute be Adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

SB 53

Second Reading

Adopt Finance Committee Substitute?

YEAS: 11 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Nays: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Myers, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Excused: Begich, Wielechowski

and so, CS FOR SENATE BILL NO. 53(FIN) "An Act relating to use of income of the Alaska permanent fund; relating to the amount of the permanent fund dividend; relating to the duties of the commissioner of revenue; and providing for an effective date" was adopted.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the bill be considered engrossed, advanced to third reading and placed on final passage. Objections were heard.

The question being: "Shall the bill advance from second to third reading on the same day?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 53(FIN)

Advance from Second to Third Reading?

YEAS: 11 NAYS: 7 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Micciche, Olson, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Nays: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Myers, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Excused: Begich, Wielechowski

and so, the bill failed to advance from second to third reading on the same day.

Senator Wilson offered Amendment No. 1:

Page 2, line 25:

Delete "\$1,100"

Insert "50 percent of the amount available for appropriation under AS 37.13.140(b)"

Page 3, line 18:

Delete "\$1,100"

Insert "50 PERCENT OF THE AMOUNT AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION UNDER AS 37.13.140(b)"

Senator Wilson moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 1. Senator Stedman objected.

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The question being: "Shall Amendment No. 1 be adopted?" The roll was taken with the following result:

CSSB 53(FIN) Second Reading Amendment No. 1?

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 9 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Kawasaki, Micciche, Myers, Olson, Shower, Wilson

Nays: Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kiehl, Reinbold, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Excused: Begich, Wielechowski

and so, Amendment No. 1 failed.

Senator Kawasaki, by request, offered Amendment No. 2:

Page 7, line 15: Delete "\$700,000,000" Insert "\$500,000,000"

Page 7, line 20: Delete "\$700,000,000" Insert "\$500,000,000"

Senator Kawasaki moved for the adoption of Amendment No. 2. Senator Stedman objected.

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent to table the bill. Without objection, the bill was tabled with Amendment No. 2 pending.

Unfinished Business

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent President Micciche be excused from a call of the Senate from September 25 through October 3. Without objection, Senator Micciche was excused.

Senator Hoffman moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from September 16 through September 30; from October 1 through October 14; and from November 1 through November 30. Without objection, Senator Hoffman was excused.

Senator Revak moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from September 15 through September 29; from October 24 through November 12; and from December 5 through December 12. Without objection, Senator Revak was excused.

Senator Gray-Jackson moved and asked unanimous consent to be excused from a call of the Senate from morning plane time, September 25 through September 28; from afternoon plane time, October 9 through morning plane time, October 12; and from morning plane time, October 18 through evening plane time, October 24. Without objection, Senator Gray-Jackson was excused.

Senator Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent to take up the following Sense of the Senate:

Sense of the Senate

It is the Sense of the Senate that the proposed federal mandate requiring tens of millions of private sector employees, health care workers, and federal contractors to be vaccinated against the Covid-19 virus infringes upon Americans' ability to make individual decisions about their personal health and wellbeing.

Evidence and research show that vaccines and antibodies are effective against Covid-19. Alaskans should speak to their healthcare providers and discuss the merits of the vaccine based on their personal healthcare needs.

The Senate recognizes that decisions made locally- closer to the people are better able to meet the unique contextual needs of specific communities and regions and stands firm in its conviction that states should have the authority and ability to craft their own responses to the coronavirus pandemic. Further, this current exercise in Federal Over-Reach diminishes Alaska's relationship with the Federal government, further sharpens the divisions across our great country, and has a practical effect of impeding efforts to increase the uptake of the vaccine.

The Senate supports the Governor's efforts to put the Biden Administration on notice that Alaska will militate against any restrictions to the autonomy of Americans.

Senator Wilson moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate adopt the Sense of the Senate.

Senator Kawasaki moved and asked unanimous consent the Sense of the Senate be referred to the Health and Social Services Committee. Objections were heard.

The question being: "Shall the Sense of the Senate be referred to the Health and Social Services Committee?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Refer Sense of the Senate to HSS?

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 8 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 1

Yeas: Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Revak, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Nays: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Micciche, Myers, Reinbold, Shower, Wilson

Excused: Begich, Wielechowski

Absent: Olson

and so, the Sense of the Senate was referred to the Health and Social Services Committee.

Senator Wilson, Chair, moved and asked unanimous consent the Sense of the Senate be removed from the Health and Social Services Committee. Objections were heard.

The question being: "Shall the Sense of the Senate be removed from the Health and Social Services Committee?" The roll was taken with the following result:

Remove Sense of the Senate from HSS?

YEAS: 9 NAYS: 9 EXCUSED: 2 ABSENT: 0

Yeas: Costello, Holland, Hughes, Micciche, Myers, Reinbold, Revak, Shower, Wilson

Nays: Bishop, Gray-Jackson, Hoffman, Kawasaki, Kiehl, Olson, Stedman, Stevens, von Imhof

Excused: Begich, Wielechowski

and so, the Sense of the Senate failed to be removed from the Health and Social Services Committee.

Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate adjourn the Third Special Session of the Thirty-Second Legislature sine die. Senator Stedman moved and asked unanimous consent to withdraw his motion. Without objection, the motion was withdrawn.

Announcements

Rule 23(d) of the Alaska State Legislature Uniform Rules is currently in effect.

Announcements are at the end of the journal.

Adjournment

Senator Hughes moved and asked unanimous consent the Senate adjourn the Third Special Session of the Thirty-Second Legislature sine die. Without objection, the Senate adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Liz Clark Secretary of the Senate

Announcements

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STANDING COMMITTEES

- + indicates teleconference
- = indicates bill previously heard/scheduled

FINANCE

Sep	14	Tuesday	Senate Finance 532	9:00 AM
		Recessed to a Call of t	he Chair	
		Delayed to a Call of th	e Chair	
+=	HB3003	APPROP: OPERATING	; PERM FUND; EDUCATIO	N
		Moved CSHB 3003(FIN) AM(BRF SUP MAJ FLD)	
+=	SB 53	PERM FUND; ADVISO	RY VOTE	
+		Bills Previously Heard/S	cheduled	

JOINT COMMITTEES

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Sep 23	Thursday	Adams 519	10:30 AM			
+	Committee Business					
	a. Overview of Pending Capitol Maintenance					
	b. Formation of Subcommittee					
	- Assembly Building Utilization					
	Additional Committee Business-Executive Session					
	a. Formation of Subcommittee					
	- Legislative Facilities Security	Subcommittee				
	b. Anchorage LOB Snow-Removal Contract					
	Testimony <invitation only=""></invitation>					
	Streamed live on AKL.tv					

REDISTRICTING BOARD

Sep 17	Friday	Anch Lio Denali Rm	9:00 AM
	Public Testimony		
+	Presentation from Thir	d-Party Map Drafters	